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ABOUT BREAKS ALL RECORDS

Not an Off-Shore Arrival at This Port for Eleven Days.

Only the gill netters landed fish here yesterday, light receipts being the rule among most of the fleet who are finding fish scarce these days.

The largest fare was Sch. Little Fannie with 3500 pounds, while many of the boats had between 400 and 500 pounds a piece. With the good prices being paid, it seems rather hard luck that the fish are so scarce as they are at present.

For the 11th consecutive day since the beginning of the month, not an off shore arrival has been reported here.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Naomi Bruce, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Rough Rider, gill netting, 600 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Margaret D., gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. F. S. Willard, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Enterprise, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Philomena, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Hope, gill netting, 300 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Swan, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Anna T., gill netting, 400 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Evelyn H., gill netting, 700 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Ethel, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. George E. Fisher, gill netting, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Seven Brothers, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Gertrude T., gill netting, 600 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Water Witch, gill netting, 1100 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Little Fannie, gill netting, 3500 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Dolphin, gill netting, 600 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Nora B. Robinson, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Mystery, gill netting, 4500 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Jeffery, gill netting, 200 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. R. J. Kellick, gill netting, 350 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Carrie and Mildred, gill netting, 1200 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Lorena, gill netting, 400 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Sawyer, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Robert and Edwin, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Mary F. Ruth, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Flora J. Sears, shore, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Teazer, halibuting.
Sch. Motor, haddocking.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

Handline Georges codfish, large, \$5.25 per cwt.; medium, \$4.75, snappers, \$3.25.
Eastern deck handline codfish, large, \$5.25; medium, \$4.50.
Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$4.50; mediums, \$3.75. snappers, \$3.
Georges halibut codfish, large, \$4.50; mediums, \$4.
Cusk, large, \$2.25; mediums, \$1.75; snappers, \$1.25.
Pollock, \$1.50.
Hake, \$1.50.
Haddock, \$1.50.
Newfoundland salt herring, \$3.25 per bbl.
Newfoundland pickled herring, \$5 per bbl.

Fresh Fish.

Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt.
Eastern cod, large, \$2.10; medium, \$1.75; snappers, 75c.
Western cod, large, \$2.15; mediums, \$1.80; snappers, 75c.
Peak cod, large, \$2; medium, \$1.75; snappers, 70c.
All codfish not gilled 10c per 100 pounds less than the above.
Hake, \$1.15.
Cusk, large, \$1.30; mediums, \$1; snappers, 50c.

Dressed pollock, 80c; round, 90c.
Bank halibut, 15c per lb. for white and 11c for gray.
Newfoundland frozen herring, \$2.75 per cwt.

Killed Big Seal.

A sea lion weighing 325 pounds and measuring 5 feet 4 inches was captured and killed on the Revere marches, near Linden, late Saturday, by Herbert F. Grover of 595 Washington avenue, Revere, and Albert Miner, his brother-in-law. The seal was killed after putting up a battle that lasted 20 minutes.

Grover, who is a fisherman and hunter, went clamming with his brother-in-law, a conductor on the Everett Division of the Elevated. They saw the seal hopping along on the ice and drove it onto a small ice-covered pond, where it broke through an air hole and threshed around snapping and biting and barking shrilly.

Both men attacked the sea lion with clubs as it tried to clamber out. Miner finally hitting it on the head and killing it. It was too heavy to carry, so they got a wheel barrow and brought it to Grover's house, where they skinned it and sent the skin to a tannery.

There was a bounty of \$5 for a sea lion up to 1910, but it went off at that time. It is believed that the sea lion came up to the marsh during a high tide and was unable to get out.

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With the Pensacola Fleet.

Arrivals the last two weeks at Pensacola:

For E. E. Saunders & Company, were Kwasind, 29,410 snappers, 2,760 groupers; John M. Koen, 15,690 snappers, 4,245 groupers; Lettie G. Howard, 23,055 snappers, 40 groupers; Louisa X. Harper, 23,515 snappers, 4,500 groupers; Flora J. Sears, 26,335 snappers, 8,110 groupers; Albert Geiger, 18,720 snappers, 390 groupers; Clara R. Harwood, 9,445 snappers, 3,550 groupers; Fish Hawk 26,020 snappers, 13,665 groupers; Mary E. Cooney, 24,185 snappers, 8,100 groupers; Priscilla, 16,655 snappers, 7,356 groupers; Ruth Wells, 15,735 snappers, 7620 groupers; Alcina, 15,115 snappers, 13,980 groupers; Caviare, 11,050 snappers, 1,735 groupers.

For Warren Fish Company: C. H. Colt, 24,150 snappers, 2,100 groupers; Mary B. Grever, 23,700 snappers, 16,500 groupers; Mineola, 19,215 snappers, 2,080 groupers; Hope, 26,270 snappers, 13,225 groupers; Amy Wixon, 22,000 snappers; William Hays, 40,265 snappers, 7,605 groupers; Mary L. Harthy, 7,000 snappers, 2,000 groupers; Osiola, 19,800 snappers, 1,000 groupers; Alcoma, 19,050 snappers, 12,405 groupers; Arriola, 22,290 snappers, 4,315 groupers.

Fisheries Docks at Seattle.

The first actual construction work of harbor improvements authorized by the Seattle port commission began February 15 without any special ceremony, such as usually marks the commencement of public works involving \$6,100,000, says the "Post-Intelligencer." When a big pile driver started operations on a strip of land in Salmon Bay, on the site of the proposed fisheries docks, the first of the many port projects adopted by the voters of the local port district was put under way, and in the course of time this improvement will probably be the first public port project ready for use.

As to Fulton Retail Market.

There is still much speculation as to what will be done with Fulton Retail Market, opposite the wholesale fish market. Many of the big stands are now vacant and it is reported that a number of the standholders are seeking other quarters. It is said that the City Comptroller and the President of the Borough of Manhattan favor tearing down the market, as it is now being operated at a very heavy loss to the City of New York.—Fishing Gazette.

STILL PAYING FINE PRICES

Vessels at T Wharf Today Find Their Fares in Good Demand.

The bulk of this morning's grist of arrivals at T wharf, Boston, are the shore fleet. Prices continue good with the remaining few weeks of the Lenten season on account of demand for fresh fish.

Of the off shore fleet in schs. Gov. Foss has 65,000 pounds; Frances J. O'Hara, Jr., 55,000 pounds; John J. Fallon, 35,000 pounds; steamer Ripple, 25,000 pounds and 6000 pounds of lemon sole.

Wholesalers paid \$3.10 to \$5 a hundred weight for haddock, \$4 to \$6 for large cod, \$4 for market cod, \$5.50 for pollock and \$6 to \$9 for hake.

Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are.
Sch. John J. Fallon, 25,000 haddock, 9500 cod.
Sch. Ripple, 22,500 haddock, 3200 cod, 6000 lemon sole.
Sch. Gov. Foss, 55,000 haddock, 10,000 cod.
Sch. Francis J. O'Hara, Jr., 45,000 haddock, 10,000 cod.
Sch. Elva L. Spurling, 3000 haddock, 1600 cod, 1600 hake, 2800 cusk.
Sch. James and Esther, 13,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 4000 hake.
Sch. Evelyn M. Thompson, 10,000 haddock, 1300 cod, 4000 hake.
Sch. Eva and Mildred, 5000 haddock, 1000 cod.
Sch. Galatea, 7500 haddock, 400 cod.
Sch. Rose Standish, 7700 cod.
Sch. Elizabeth W. Nunan, 13,000 haddock, 2000 cod.
Sch. Mettacommet, 5000 haddock, 1000 cod.
Sch. Yankee, 7500 haddock, 700 cod.
Sch. Marion, 500 cod.
Sch. Natalie J. Nelson, 17,000 haddock, 1100 cod.
Haddock, \$3.10 to \$5 per cwt.; large cod, \$4 to \$6; market cod, \$4; hake, \$6 to \$9; pollock, \$5.50.

MISSING MEN ARE ALL RIGHT

The three power dories with six Italian fishermen from the North End, Boston, concerning whose safety grave fears had been felt, arrived at T wharf, yesterday. They were safely harbored in a small cove near Cohasset from Thursday night.

The dories left T wharf before the northwesterly gale last Thursday, bound for Plymouth. When they were not heard from Saturday the revenue cutter Itasca was sent out in search of them.

It appears that the three dories were caught in the gale before they could reach the shelter of Plymouth harbor. They headed inshore to get under the shelter of the lee of the land and were over seven hours in reaching a safe anchorage, suffering severely from the cold. They later got a good fare.

WANT SHOW FOR THE FISHERMEN

In connection with the alleged fish trust in San Francisco the State Fish and Game Commission have collected data and evidence in support of a bill to regulate the sale of fish in California. "Fish is one of the great food supplies of the State," said Commissioner F. M. Newbert, "and yet the market is also absolutely controlled by about ten men. The Cartwright anti-trust law was invoked against them in San Francisco, but they soon went back to their old methods, and today it is worse than ever. Fishermen get 4 cents for fish that dealers sell for 20 cents. The fishermen have at last got together and organized a union. I am now trying to find a method by which this union can be used to defeat the trust."

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MAY CLOSE CURB FISH STANDS

Claim Some New York Dealers Violated Board of Health Regulations.

Some time ago the Department of Health of the City of New York informed all fish dealers doing business outside of the two big fish markets that they must not expose fish on the streets, the Fishing Gazette says. Companies engaged in handling fresh water fish on Peck Slip and the small dealers having stands along the curb on South street and Beekman street were informed that they might get upon boxes to expose their offerings at the request of prospective buyers, but at all other times the packages must remain closed in order that the contents might not be exposed to the dust caused by passing cars and other vehicles.

For a while the regulation was carried out by the small fish dealers, then they became reckless, and the result was that the fish was continually exposed. A few days ago representatives of the Board of Health paid a visit to the street dealers and ordered them to report to the court why they should not be punished for violating the regulations of the Board of Health.

A number of the dealers were in court on Tuesday and were fined \$3 each. It is now reported that the Board of Health will close up all the stands doing business along the curb lines. Some of the dealers will hire stores, while others will go out of business.

PACIFIC COD SUPPLY SHORT

Recent reports from Seattle as to the local codfish market state that the Lenten trade in this fish has been heavier than usual, and there is now no question but that the supply will be too small to supply the trade until the arrival of new fares in September. The present companies are making the usual preparations for the season, but as it is difficult business at best, and one from which it is very hard to wring any money, it is not likely that there will be any increase in the number of companies. The value of the Pacific codfish catch for 1912 was about \$350,000, about 11,000,000 pounds having been taken. The fishing has been confined to Behring Sea and the Central Alaskan waters. The increase over the preceding year amounted to about 30 per cent. Market conditions were but little less favorable than the preceding year.—Fishing Gazette.

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TWO FISHERMEN ARE MISSING

Sch. Josie and Phoebe, one of the Boston fresh market fleet, Capt. Nolan, arrived at Sandy Point, N. S., on Monday of last week and reported that two of her crew were missing. They are Harry Neil and Thomas Welsh who went astray the previous Saturday while fishing on Brown's Bank.

Trawler Wrecked, Crew Drowned.

The trawler Admiral Togo was wrecked Friday off Reykjavik, Iceland. The crew of 12 were drowned.

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ONLY FOUR PLACES LEASED CLAM FLATS

State House, Boston, March 10.—To date only four cities and towns in Essex county have taken advantage of the Schofield law of last year under which they can lease from the Commonwealth clam flats in their territory for a nominal return. These four cities and towns are Newburyport, Salisbury, Rowley and Ipswich.

In the case of Ipswich, objection has been made to a clause which says that the lease can be nullified in case the estate created is taken from the lessee by process or enactment of law. The Ipswich officials feared that this might allow a succeeding legislature to enact a law which would nullify the lease and as a result of this objection, the attorney general has ordered it stricken out of the Ipswich lease.

The Fish and Game Commission,

say, however, that although this clause is in the other leases they have no desire to act unfairly in the matter and if the officials of Salisbury, Newburyport and Rowley wish the same change made in their lease, the commissioners will agree to substitute a new lease with this clause stricken out.

It is to be remembered that the fish and game commission and the new commission on economy and efficiency had advised the leasing of clam flats to individual citizens and if this shall become a law, citizens of the other shore towns of Essex county can decide which form of lease they prefer.

The leases are for a term of 10 years and allow all citizens to go over any of the flats in the town. The commissioners apparently have the idea that when the 10 year period is expired, the people will believe that the state lease to individuals is a better proposition and they will not desire to renew the Schofield act.

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TAKE OFF HATS TO THIS ONE

The Greatest Fish Killing or Freezing Since Noah Was a Little Boy.

Probably the greatest fish killing ever known took place at Klawack Bay, Alaska, on Prince of Wales Island, one day in February, when at one stroke it is estimated that 2,000,000,000 good sized herring lost their lives. Capt. Simon Brunn and the officers of the steamship Northland had the remarkable experience of navigating their vessel through miles of the dead fish.

For three days the bay had been full of schools of herring so dense that fish were often thrown out of the water. A day before the Northland arrived a sudden freeze caught the herring in the narrow necked harbor before they could escape.

The freeze came in with great suddenness and about six inches of ice formed on the harbor. Millions of the herring could be seen fighting for a last desperate chance of getting out of the inclosed water before being frozen.

When Capt. Brunn arrived with the Northland the tide had receded and for 20 to 50 feet on the beach and several hundred feet out into the water for three miles around the harbor lay the frozen fish. Measurements were made, and it was found that the herring lay tightly packed for an average depth of three feet.

The greatest chance in the world for obtaining fresh fish without a bit of work was lost. The cannery people took all they could, but the Northland was not equipped to carry them. The fear now is that an epidemic of disease may break out following the decay of the dead fish.

TARIFF HURTS THEIR FISHING

Irish Mackerel Men Are to Lay Their Case Before President Wilson.

W. Patrick Fitzgerald, of Cleggan, County Galway, Ireland, has addressed a letter to the "Irish Independent," of Dublin, Ireland, in reference to the tariff rate on Irish mackerel imported into the United States. Among the statements in said letter are:

"As mentioned in my last letter, a prominent body of Irishmen were about to approach the President-elect of the United States, Dr. Woodrow Wilson, and to put before him the necessity for the removal of the \$2 existing on Irish-cured mackerel. That this tariff is crippling the industry on the west and south coast of Ireland is well known to everyone connected with it; and what does the compulsory abandoning of this industry mean? It means the throwing on the world of thousands of families, and the emigration of the youth along this extensive seaboard, thereby still further depleting this poor country of her only mainstay. That this can be all averted, and the youth along the seaboard kept at home and can earn a good living in happiness on their own coast, now rests with the Irishmen and curers themselves. It now rests with them, with everyone, fishermen curers, and all connected with this important industry to bind themselves together and one and all to put it through Dr. Woodrow Wilson before the United States Government, which surely will accede to our request.

"Apart altogether from the kindly feelings which the President-elect shows towards Ireland and her few remaining industries, we do not think we are extravagant in our request and for this reason for numerous years cured mackerel have been taxed \$2 per barrel, or two cents per pound, while herring have only been, and are now, taxed \$1 per barrel, or one cent per pound. To herring the markets of the world are open, to mackerel only the American markets are open. The herring fishing is almost totally a Scotch industry, and they looked to the U. S. Government to keep down the tariff. The mackerel curing industry is principally Irish, and is the only existing industry on this seaboard, and it now behooves all concerned to look to the U. S. Government through Dr. Wilson, who, no doubt, will put our request and see it through successfully."

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HEROINE RUNS TO FULTON MARKET

Trade in the salt water fish market was only fair during last week, the Fishing Gazette reports. The supply of stock, with few exceptions, was large and prices were low, still buying was not heavy.

The smacks did not land much fish. During the forepart of the week arrivals were light.

The trawler Heroine reached the market on Monday with 30,000 pounds of mixed fish, the bulk of which was haddock. The trawler came to Chesbro Brothers, who had the fish on sale on Tuesday.

Halibut is getting more plentiful owing to the strike of the fishermen on the western coast being called off. During the first three days of the week the price for western caught fish was 9 cents per pound. On Wednesday the quotation was 11 cents.

Steak pollock was quoted at 4 cents per pound up to Wednesday.

Large shipments of small pollock were received. The price was \$3 per barrel.

Haddock brought 3 1-2 to 4 cents per pound. There was no fish on sale on Wednesday.

Hake was quoted at 5 to 6 cents per pound up to Wednesday.

There was no cod in the market on Wednesday, other than a few live fish landed by a vessel of the market fleet. During the first half of the week market cod sold at 4 cents per pound and steak fish at 8 cents.

SCH. CAVALIER FROM PORTLAND

Only Big Craft Here—Still No Arrivals From Off Shore Direct.

Outside of the gill netters, the only arrival within the last 24 hours is sch. Cavalier, Capt. Robert Porper, from Portland, with 10,000 pounds of salt cod, the craft having disposed of her halibut fare at the latter port.

The gill netters as a rule did poorly yesterday, the day's receipts totalling 20,000 pounds. Steamer Quoddy had 3600 pounds, the largest fare, while some of the boats had as low as 200 pounds apiece.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Cavalier, via Portland, 10,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Carrie and Mildred, gill netting, 1700 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Robert and Edwin, gill netting, 1200 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Quoddy, gill netting, 3600 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Lydia, gill netting, 200 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Naomi Bruce, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Rough Rider, gill netting, 350 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Dolphin, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Nora B. Robinson, gill netting, 2100 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Swan, gill netting, 700 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Enterprise, gill netting, 800 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Venture, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.

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Str. Mary L., gill netting, 200 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Gertrude T., gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Jeffery, gill netting, 200 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Harold, gill netting, 200 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Sawyer, gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Mary F. Ruth, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Lillian, shore.

Sch. Stranger, shore.

Sch. Clara G. Silva, shore.

Sch. Tecumseh, shore.

Sch. Rita A. Viator, shore.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Frances V. Sylvia, haddock-ing.

Sch. Adeline, haddock-ing.

Sch. Leonora Silveria, haddock-ing.

Sch. Jorgina, haddock-ing.

Sch. Alice M. Guthrie, haddock-ing.

Sch. Rita A. Viator, haddock-ing.

Sch. Juno, haddock-ing.

Sch. Mary F. Sears, haddock-ing.

Sch. Edith Silveria, haddock-ing.

Sch. Adeline, haddock-ing.

Sch. Knickerbocker, Boston.

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Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$4.50; mediums, \$3.75. snappers, \$3.

Georges halibut codfish, large, \$4.50; mediums, \$4.

Cusk, large, \$2.25; mediums, \$1.75; snappers, \$1.25.

Pollock, \$1.50.

Hake, \$1.50.

Haddock, \$1.50.

Newfoundland salt herring, \$3.25 per bbl.

Newfoundland pickled herring, \$5 per bbl.

Fresh Fish.

Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt.

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Western cod, large, \$2.15; mediums, \$1.80; snappers, 75c.

Peak cod, large, \$2; medium, \$1.75; snappers, 70c.

All codfish not gilled 10c per 100 pounds less than the above.

Hake, \$1.15.

Cusk, large, \$1.30; mediums, \$1; snappers, 50c.

Dressed pollock, 80c; round, 90c.

Bank halibut, 15c per lb. for white and 11c for gray.

Newfoundland frozen herring, \$2.75 per cwt.

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RECEIPTS TODAY MORE LIBERAL

Prices Off a Bit at T Wharf But Still Worth Fishing For.

Arrivals at T wharf since yesterday's report number 14 fleet of sail, eight of which are from off shore with fares.

The largest trips are sch. Regina, 47,000 pounds; Valerie, 66,000 pounds; Matchless, 37,000 pounds; Fannie E. Prescott, 56,000 pounds; Eleanora DeCosta, 37,000 pounds; Frances P. Mesquita, 41,000 pounds; Ethel B. Penny, 51,000 pounds; Gladys and Nellie, 63,000 pounds.

Trade continues good although prices dropped from yesterday's figures. The wholesale dealers paid \$3.25 to \$4.50 a hundred for haddock, \$5 for large cod, \$3 to \$4 for market cod, \$3.50 to \$5.50 for hake, \$5 to \$6 for pollock, \$3.75 for cusk and 16 cents a pound for halibut.

Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are:

Sch. Regina, 30,000 haddock, 7000 cod, 5000 hake, 5000 cusk, 800 halibut.

Sch. Valerie, 52,000 haddock, 14,000 cod, 500 hake, 500 halibut.

Sch. Mary P. Goulart, 6000 haddock, 700 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Matchless, 35,000 haddock, 2000 cod.

Sch. Mary C. Santos, 20,000 haddock, 1500 cod, 1500 hake.

Sch. Fannie E. Prescott, 37,000 haddock, 9000 cod, 10,000 hake.

Sch. Eleanora DeCosta, 23,000 haddock, 14,000 cod.

Sch. Frances P. Mesquita 22,000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 1800 hake, 1000 cusk, 2000 pollock.

Sch. Matthew S. Greer, 22,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 300 pollock.

Sch. Emily Sears 1500 haddock, 9500 cod.

Sch. Annie and Jennie, 200 haddock, 6500 cod.

Sch. Laura Enos, 2200 cod, 300 halibut.

Sch. Ethel B. Penny, 45,000 haddock, 6000 cod.

Sch. Gladys and Nellie, 17,000 haddock, 14,000 cod, 22,000 hake, 10,000 cusk, 400 halibut.

Haddock, \$3.25 to \$4.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$5; market cod, \$3 to \$4; hake, \$3.50 to \$5.50; pollock, \$5 to \$6; cusk, \$2.75; halibut 16 cents for white and gray.

COMMODORE "FITZ" NEXT.

Boston's Mayor To Be Head of City's Fishing Craft.

The big fleet of Boston fishing vessels is to have a commodore. Skipper Tony Alfido and others who aspired for the job will probably lose out and the man who undoubtedly will win the title is none other than Mayor John F. Fitzgerald.

It is said on good authority that this spring will see a municipal fishing schooner coming into port from the fishing grounds. The city is not going to compete with the T wharf mariners, but the municipal craft will secure specimens for the City Point Aquarium.

As the aquarium opened late in the fall, Director Mowbrey was unable to secure many local fish to exhibit. Next summer the city will secure many new kinds of fish from local and southern waters. No appropriation has been made for a boat as yet, but nets and other tackle have been purchased and are now being fixed up over in the aquarium.

Jobs on the city fishing schooner should be soft berths, and the hardworking T wharf fishermen probably will rush for the places. Director Mowbrey of the aquarium probably will have charge of the fishing boats, but he will receive orders from his superior, Mayor Fitzgerald, who will be commodore of the craft.